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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Previously Presented) A differential apparatus for transmitting torque from an output shaft of a driving source to two axle shafts while producing a rotational difference between the two axle shafts, the differential apparatus comprising:

a differential case coaxially and integrally joined with the output shaft, wherein the output shaft and the differential case form a single and monolithic cast member.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Original) The differential apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the driving source is a motor.

4. (Previously Presented) A differential apparatus, arranged between two axle shafts, for rotating the two axle shafts at different speeds or at the same speed, the differential apparatus comprising:

differential gears for connecting the two axle shafts to each other;

an output shaft member having a differential case portion for accommodating the differential gears and an output shaft portion integrally formed with the differential case portion from the same material, wherein the output shaft member is a single and monolithic cast member; and

a driving source that supplies the output shaft member with torque.